

Epsom & Ewell Borough Youth Plan

Action Plan for 2008-2012

**Epsom & Ewell BC
Surrey CC Youth Development Service
Connexions Surrey**

Why do we need a Plan?

This document provides the framework and actions for key partners to work together to provide excellent services for young people in the Borough of Epsom & Ewell over the next 4 years (2008 – 2012).

Previously, the Borough Youth Plan has been reviewed on an annual basis but the key partners have agreed to mirror the planning cycle of Epsom & Ewell Borough Council. For this purpose the Borough Youth Plan will now identify priorities for the next 4 years with specific actions developed for each individual year.

The Plan sets out the work that the agencies will be involved in for the benefit of the public and partners, including key decision makers, e.g. Borough and County Councillors.

There is much that is good about services for teenagers, but there is a lot that could be improved. In particular, Youth Matters (Government Green Paper "Youth Matters" published 2005) has identified that:

- services do not always meet the needs of individuals
- organisations providing services do not work together as effectively or imaginatively as they should
- not enough is being done to prevent young people from drifting into a life of poverty or crime
- services are failing to exploit the full potential of the internet, mobile phones and new technologies
- teenagers and their parents do not have enough say in what is provided

The principal partners involved in the delivery of the Plan are Epsom & Ewell Borough Council, Surrey County Council Youth Development Service and Connexions Surrey. However, whenever appropriate these partners will seek to engage with and involve other relevant bodies notably the voluntary sector, Surrey Police, Surrey Youth Justice Service, Surrey PCT, Surrey Fire and Rescue Service, Rosebery Housing Association, Epsom & Ewell Partnership of Schools and the Banstead, Epsom & Ewell Community Learning Partnership.

Most important will be the involvement of young people themselves, both as a broader group and through YELL, the Borough's Youth Forum. There will be ongoing discussions with YELL on the content and implementation of the Borough Youth Plan in order to make sure that it best meets the needs of young people.

Aim, Objectives and Core Values

Aim

"Integrated and high quality services that are centred on young people's needs, helping all teenagers achieve the five Every Child Matters outcomes to the greatest possible extent."

Objectives

- To ensure that the principles and targets set out in the government Green Paper "Youth Matters" are followed and achieved.
- To bring key partners together to ensure a coordinated approach and to agree actions against the five Every Child Matters outcomes.
- To achieve the recognition of an improved service by both the young people and other residents in the Borough.
- To monitor progress and to review actions to achieve the overall aim.
- To support young people's personal development, achievement and enjoyment.

Core Values underlying the Youth Plan

Young people will be involved wherever possible in formulating proposals for action and in their implementation.

Young people vary in their expectations and requirements and a range of approaches and activities will be provided for.

The actions will be driven by the needs of young people, rather than the convenience or structures of the providers.

Priority Themes (after Every Child Matters)

Be Healthy

To reduce problems due to alcohol and substance misuse

To provide a programme of opportunities for young people via sport or other physical activity.

Stay Safe

To raise young people's awareness of personal safety issues, both in the home and elsewhere.

Enjoy and Achieve

To work with the voluntary sector to develop a range of venues and events for young people to meet in safety and participate in a range of sports, leisure and creative activities.

To improve communication with young people via a variety of means.

Make a Positive Contribution

To consult with both targeted groups and a more representative cross-section of young people and to input the results into decision making processes.

To provide a range of diversionary activities and to monitor the effectiveness of interventions in reducing crime and anti-social behaviour.

Achieve Economic Well-being

To provide support for young people in relation to work experience and vocational training.

Note:

Opportunities to "signpost" young people to sources of advice and support will be provided through many of the activities identified above. The shared use of venues of the partner agencies could also provide opportunities for the complementary delivery of services and these will be explored. Awareness amongst young people of the services available is a critical factor and the agencies will work together to ensure that a variety of coordinated approaches is adopted.

**Epsom & Ewell's Borough Youth Plan
Actions for 2009/10**

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Priority	LAA and Improvement Notice Targets	Outcomes	Proposed Local Interventions	Lead Agency & other Partners	Local Level Target
1. Reduce health inequality and make healthy choices easier	<p>NI 112 Under 18 conception rate</p> <p>NI 56 Obesity among primary school age children in year 6</p> <p>NI 51 assessment of the effectiveness of CAMHS provision</p> <p>NI 54 Services for disabled children</p> <p>NI 197 Change in rate of conceptions to females aged 15-17</p> <p>PAF A70 Progress made towards a comprehensive CAMHS Assessment based on how many of the 4 measures are in place</p>	<p>1.1 Vulnerable Children have improved mental health and well-being.</p> <p>1.2 Fewer children are becoming overweight and obese</p> <p>1.3 Reduction of teenage pregnancy and improved sexual health in young people</p>	<p>To develop sporting activities at Linden Bridge Special Needs School.</p> <p>To develop and implement a new programme of activity under the Let's Get Active Project that focuses on young people becoming more active.</p> <p>To deliver the 'Pfizer' sexual health inequality project in Court & Ruxley</p>	<p>EEBC / Fulham FC / Linden Bridge School</p> <p>EEBC / Central Surrey Health / Rainbow Leisure Centre</p> <p>EEBC / Central Surrey Health / SYDS</p>	<p>To develop football sessions for Autistic Young People in years 9 & 10 at Linden Bridge School. To also establish an MLD football team for the SYG.</p> <p>To develop a new activity provision for over-weight Young People based at the Rainbow LC</p> <p>To engage young people to form a steering group who design, develop and deliver an educational model to 100 young people. To implement a new contraception distribution scheme in</p>

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					the Borough.
2. Improve family safety, child protection and prevention	<p>NI 65 Children becoming the subject of a Child Protection Plan for a second or subsequent time</p> <p>NI 59 Initial assessment completed within 7 working days</p> <p>NI 60 The proportion of core assessments completed within 35 working days of completion of the initial assessment</p> <p>NI 66 The percentage of LAC whose cases should have been reviewed during the year and were reviewed on time</p> <p>APA 2060SCThe percentage of LAC with a qualified social worker other than a team leader</p>	<p>2.1 Improved child protection through strengthened partnership working</p> <p>2.2 Increased proportion of vulnerable families benefit from local family support and prevention</p>	<p>Attendance at MARAC</p> <p>EEBC Corporate Policy for child protection with internal group having representation from HR, Leisure, Venues, Park Rangers, Vol. Org liaison, Housing and Benefits. To provide support to clubs to achieve accreditation through the Epsom & Ewell Child Protection Scheme</p> <p>Review the arrangements that support children & young people who experience domestic abuse.</p> <p>Multi-agency Family Support Work co-ordinated through local Children's Centres</p>	<p>EEBC, Schools and SCC Children's Service (local team).</p> <p>EEBC / local clubs & SCC Children's Service (local team).</p> <p>EEBC / SCC Children's Service (local team) / Surrey Police</p> <p>Epsom and Ewell Schools Confederation, EEBC, CAMHS, Surrey Children's Service (local team)and</p>	<p>Review effectiveness of current information sharing, and build communication across those involved with MARAC</p> <p>Ensure EEBC meets Children Act duties.</p> <p>Increase the number of local clubs accredited through the Epsom & Ewell Child Protection Scheme</p> <p>Review the current arrangements and implement improved support for children & young people who experience domestic abuse.</p> <p>Develop consistent model for Multi Agency Family Support work as Children's Centres are implemented in the</p>

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3. Improve education, training and employment outcomes, with a particular focus on the lowest achievers	<p>NI 73 Achievement at level 4 or above in both English and Maths at KS 2</p> <p>NI 75 Achievement of 5 or more A*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent including English and Maths</p> <p>NI 92 Narrowing the gap between the lowest achieving 20% in the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile and the rest</p> <p>NI 93 Progression by 2 levels in English between KS 1 and KS 2</p> <p>NI 94 Progression by 2 levels in Maths between KS 1 and KS 2</p> <p>NI 99 Children in care reaching level 4 in English at KS 2</p> <p>NI 100 Children in care reaching level 4 in Maths at KS 2</p> <p>NI 101 Children in Care achieving 5A*-C GCSEs (or equivalent) at KS 4</p>	<p>3.1 Raised attainment and improved progression in all key stages, particularly for the lowest achievers, Looked After Children and LDD learners</p> <p>3.2 Increased take up of education, training and employment opportunities particularly for those from vulnerable groups</p>	<p>Deliver Apprenticeships through RHA and Homecall</p> <p>To identify and set up training opportunities for YP at the Stephen Woods Centre workshop.</p> <p>GLL- Apprenticeship Scheme</p> <p>To develop an Apprenticeship scheme for YP identified as at risk working in partnership with Operational Services</p>	<p>RHA and Homecall</p> <p>EEBC/ Youth Justice Team/ SWC/ Connexions</p> <p>Rainbow Leisure Centre and other partners</p> <p>CVS/EEBC/Schools/ Connexions</p>	<p>2 x placements are achieved within 09/10</p> <p>To work with local secondary schools and Connexions to identify YP from vulnerable groups to set up training opportunities @ the SCW workshop.</p> <p>To raise profile of apprenticeship scheme and offer placements at the Rainbow LC to Epsom & Ewell Residents</p> <p>To pilot a placement in Operational Services for a yr 10 student in a local high school</p>

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4. Enhance things to do and places to go, particularly for the vulnerable and disadvantaged		4.1 Increased access to safe places to meet, leisure, culture, and sporting opportunities particularly for vulnerable groups either independently or with their parent/carers	To enter a Borough Squad into the Surrey Youth Games 2009 whilst developing links with local sports clubs	EEBC in partnership with The Rainbow Leisure Centre and local sports clubs	To increase the number of young people registered for the SYG compared to previous years. To increase the number of Young People participating at the SYG.
			To deliver 10 week projects in Judo, Netball, Basketball and Boxing as part of the Sports Unlimited programme linking to the SYG	EEBC in partnership with The Rainbow Leisure Centre and local sports clubs	To increase the number of semi-sporty young people within the Borough involved in Judo, Netball, Basketball and Boxing
			Sport Unlimited- Keep Fit Stay Young provision	Rainbow Leisure Centre	To deliver a 10 week provision for YP under Keep Fit – Stay Young
			To support the development of local sports and leisure clubs	EEBC in partnership with local sports & Leisure Clubs as well as Active Surrey	To increase the number of clubs accredited through Active Surrey
			To develop and deliver a new look Youth Leisure Day for Young People aged 11 – 17yrs in the Borough	EEBC in partnership with YELL / SYDS / UCA / Realistic Rock/ Rainbow Leisure Centre	To increase the number of Young People attending YLD 09

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			To introduce a 'Facebook' page to promote activities for young people and to engage/ consult.	EEBC in partnership with YELL and SYDS	To have an effective working facebook page that engages young people.
		4.3 Increased participation of Children and Young People in decision-making	To review the Youth Insight publication to establish its effective use as a method for communicating with young people	EEBC in partnership with YELL	Complete a review of Youth Insight and use results to inform the development of a more effective publication
			To improve the effectiveness of the Youth Leisure Forum expanding the membership to include Young People	EEBC in partnership with SYDS	To establish a new look Youth Forum which includes membership of Young People.
			To develop and deliver activities for Local Democracy Week which give Young People decision-making opportunities.	EEBC in partnership with SYDS	To develop and deliver a specific activity for Local Democracy Week working with YP and local Councillors

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5. Improving behaviour at home, at school and on the streets	Reduce youth offending NI 111 First time entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10 – 17 PAF C24 Absence rate of LAC NI 72 Achievement of at least 78 points across the Early Years Foundation Stage with at least 6 in each of the scales in Personal Social and Emotional Development and Communications, Language and Literacy NI 87 Secondary School persistent absence rate NI 103 Rate per 1000 population of permanent exclusions for pupils with a statement of SEN	5.1 Increased capacity of parents and carers to support their children particularly those identified with behavioural, emotional and social difficulties 5.2 Improved behaviour at school with increased attendance, reduced exclusions and reduced bullying	Develop forms of parenting support (parenting classes, family contracts) and actively encourage referrals e.g. from the NPG. Work with schools through projects such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safer Schools • Junior Citizens • Mentoring Scheme 	EEBC / Surrey Police EEBC / Surrey Police / Schools Confederation	Increased support for parents of those at risk of offending and/ or known to the NPG Reduction in ASB caused by young people. Improved reporting of offenders of ASB

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Continued... 5. Improving behaviour at home, at school and on the streets		5.3 Reduction in the number of young people entering the Youth Justice system	<p>Review ASB related data collected by EEBC and partner agencies</p> <p>Actively encourage referrals from NPG to targeted intervention schemes e.g. Youth Engagement Scheme</p> <p>Improve information sharing with Social Services, Connexions and CAMHs regarding young people at risk of offending.</p> <p>To submit a PAYP (Positive Activities for Young People) application for a targeted intervention project.</p>	<p>EEBC /Rosebery HA</p> <p>Surrey Fire & Rescue Service. Referrals coordinated by EEBC through NPG</p> <p>EEBC/ Social Services, Connexions and CAMHs</p> <p>SYDS / EEBC / Surrey Police / SOLD (Surrey Outdoor Learning and Development) and other partners</p>	<p>Establish true picture of extent of ASB in Borough to target resources appropriately</p> <p>To increase the number of vulnerable young people engaged on intervention schemes</p> <p>Improved information regarding those at risk of offending.</p> <p>To develop a targeted intervention project designed to meet local needs.</p>